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**REQUEST FOR A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) a  
(X) continuation application of:  
( ) divisional application of:

**Pending Prior Application**

Application No. 08/900,688 filed 07/25/97

Title **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ASYNCHRONOUSLY ACCESSING A GRAPHICS SYSTEM FOR GRAPHICS APPLICATION EVALUATION AND CONTROL**

Name of applicant(s) **Alan D. Ward et al.**

**Copy of Application**

- (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the drawings.  
( ) Enclosed is a new specification, including new drawings.

**Oath or Declaration**

- (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration (37 CFR 1.63(d)).  
( ) Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration (original or copy).

**Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119**

- ( ) Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) The certified copy has been filed in prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy of the foreign application will be provided in due course.

**Relate Back - 35 USC 120**

- (X) Amend the specification after the title by inserting the following heading:  
--Cross Reference To Related Application(s)--;  
and add the paragraph:  
--This is a ( ) continuation ( ) divisional  
of copending application number \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_,  
which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

**Inventorship Statement**

- ( ) Delete the following named individuals as inventors in this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(b) as a result of a change in the claimed subject matter:

**Appointment of Associate Attorney**

- ( ) Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) authorization is hereby granted by signature below of the Attorney or Agent of record  
( ) the Associate Attorney or Agent may not have the authority to appoint other Attorneys or Agents

**Communications**

- (X) Address all future communications to: Direct telephone calls to:

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**Other Amendments**

- (X) Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:  
( ) Cancel the following claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).  
(X) Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

**Fee Calculation**

- (X) The filing fee is calculated below for (X) Utility ( ) Design

CLAIMS AS FILED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY				
(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) TOTALS
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 — 20	0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 — 3	0	X \$80	\$ 0
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS	0		\$270	\$ 0
BASIC FEE: Design ( \$320.00 ); Utility ( \$710.00 )				\$ 710
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$ 710
TOTAL CHARGES TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT				\$ 710

Charge \$ 710 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Alan D. Ward et al.**

By Michael G. Verga  
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Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)  
Reg. No. **39,410**

Date: **07/27/01**

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**Application No.:**  
**Filing Date:** Herewith  
**Title:** SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ASYNCHRONOUSLY ACCESSING A GRAPHICS SYSTEM  
FOR GRAPHICS APPLICATION EVALUATION AND CONTROL

**Batch No.:**  
**Confirmation No.:**  
**Examiner:**  
**Group Art Unit:**

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DRAWING TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find:

- ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of redlined drawing(s) which indicate proposed changes to the drawing(s). Upon approval of these proposed changes, formal drawing(s) will be submitted.
- ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of corrected formal drawing(s), as required by the Notice of Patent Drawings Objection (PTO-948) which accompanied the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_.
- ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of corrected formal drawing(s), as required by the Notice of Patent Drawings Objection (PTO-948) and approved in the Notice of Allowability dated \_\_\_\_\_.
- ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of formal drawing(s). Please substitute these formal drawing(s) for the informal drawing(s) originally filed.
- (X) 7 \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of formal drawings incorporating redlined changes made in First Prelim. Amend. Please substitute these formal drawings for the informal drawings originally filed.

Examiner's approval of the entry of these drawings is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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